

May 16, 2016

The Honorable Ron Johnson Chairman, Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Thank you for your letter dated April 12, 2016 regarding the Government Accountability Office (GAO) report titled "Improving Data Transparency and Expanding the National Strategy Could Help Address Long –standing Challenges." An identical letter is being sent to your colleagues who signed the letter.

GSA is working to improve the accuracy and reliability of federal real property data, and to develop tools to better manage the Federal real estate portfolio, including through identifying opportunities to dispose or better utilize underutilized federal properties. The Attachment provides detailed answers to the specific questions in your letter.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (202) 501-0563.

Sincerely,

Lisa A. Austin

Associate Administrator

**Enclosure**